The Arts in Action

A message from the Acting Principal...

A good way to judge a school is by the vibrancy of its Arts programs. By such a measure, Sandgate District State High School is a fantastic school. The Arts have a wonderful capacity to bring together a community and showcase the talents of our young people.

Last week saw our students and staff present two productions of the musical “Rock Apocalypse”. Nearly 80 students from Year 8 to Year 12 were involved in a variety of roles. Their involvement ranged from our brilliant lead performers and the supporting cast through to the musicians who provided the evening’s soundtrack. Of course such a performance cannot be successful without the efforts of the sound and lighting crew and the intensive labour of the people who created the props and stage settings. Special mention must be made of our Performing Arts staff who gave up countless hours to assist students in their rehearsals in the months leading up to the performances.

Tonight will see a celebration of all things musical with our Music Showcase. The evening will feature performances by our Symphonic Wind Ensemble, Stage Band, String Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble and small ensembles. It is a wonderful evening that highlights the sophistication and precision of our musicians and is a culmination of a year’s worth of effort. The Music Parent Group will be catering the evening to help support next year’s program.
On Friday afternoon, our Art Department will be hosting an art exhibition at the Pop-Up Art Gallery in our Art Precinct. All of the works are eye catching, thought provoking and of professional quality. Many of the art works will be sold on the afternoon.

Our final cultural event for 2014 will be the ever popular Dance Night. This evening provides some of our most dynamic performers the opportunity to showcase their talents before a capacity crowd.

The richness of our Arts program is a credit to the hard work and inspiration of the staff and students at Sandgate District State High School.

Awards Night

Awards Night is one of the highlights of the school calendar as we recognise the efforts and achievements of our student cohort and unveil our 2015 leaders. We look forward to seeing as many parents as possible on 5th November as we celebrate our students’ accomplishments and endeavours across a variety of academic, cultural and vocational areas.

Mr Jim O’Neill  |  ACTING PRINCIPAL

P&C MEETINGS | THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH
6.30PM | STAFF COMMON ROOM | ALL WELCOME
NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 19 NOVEMBER 2014

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27 October - 14 November 2014

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P&C News

SDSHS Tuckshop

The school tuckshop is run by the P&C. Our tuckshop convener is Mrs Sheree Tregoning and is ably assisted by Deb, Michelle, Jo and Di. The tuckshop is open 5 days a week, serving breakfast from 8.15am, morning tea and lunch.

Our tuckshop supports the healthy food choices initiative which was brought in 7 years ago by Education Queensland.

Currently, the tuckshop is the main fundraiser for the P&C. The P&C prides itself on being able to provide this service. We would like to see families within our school community supporting our tuckshop as often as possible. One of the ways you can support our tuckshop is by volunteering your time to help with meal preparation. Any amount of time is appreciated. Volunteering is a great way to be involved in your child’s schooling and build your social network. If interested, please call the tuckshop on 3869 9840.

If you are unable to volunteer, you can help by donating the following items: plastic spoons and forks, BBQ sauce, tomato sauce, tinned sliced beetroot, brown paper bags, cling wrap and alfoil.

Did you know that your child can pre-order their meals? Pre-ordering not only helps the tuckshop staff know how many meals to prepare, but also helps to reduce food wastage. Students are asked to place their orders before 8.40am using brown paper bags detailing their name, class and order for hot/cold food and drinks. At lunch break, they simply queue at the side door of the tuckshop to collect their order. This will save the student's time and will shorten the self-serve queue located at the front of the tuckshop. The P&C encourages families to adopt pre-ordering.

Also, if your child has special dietary requirements, please let our tuckshop convener know when ordering. The tuckshop is more than happy to cater to these students.

Looking ahead, we welcome any menu suggestions. We would also like feedback on whether your family would support an online ordering system. Simply email the P&C on sdshstuckshop@hotmail.com by 14 November.

Justyne Wilson | P&C President
Awards Night

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Valedictory Ceremony

We invite you to attend the Annual Valedictory of 2014 in the Sandgate DSHS Outdoor Piazza.

Wednesday 19 November 2014
Commencing at 5pm

Expanding Horizons...

Senior Art Exhibition

SANDGATE DSHS
2014 Senior Art Exhibition

THE LAST WORD
POP UP ART GALLERY
Performing Arts News

Dance Night

Sandgate District State High School's annual Dance Night will occur next Friday night, November 7, in the Performance Hall. Doors will open at 6:15pm for a 7:00pm start. Tickets can be purchased at the door and cost $7 for adults and $5 for high school and primary school students. We look forward to seeing you on the night in support of our talented and dedicated dance students.

Languages

Oktoberfest for Teens 2014

What do the following words have in common?

Ludwig Leichhardt, Bretzel, Fliegerlied, Jodeln, Lebkuchen, singen, tanzen, amüsieren

If you guessed Oktoberfest you are correct. Wir haben uns amüsiert! Students prepared for the event 6 weeks out, by solving quiz questions and learning all about festivals throughout the four seasons (Frühling, Sommer, Herbst und Winter) in Germany.

Senior students devised questions to ask Herr Ludwig Leichhardt (the great-great-great-nephew of his namesake – an explorer and visionary). For more information about this important part of our history please access the following website: http://www.leichhardtland.net.au/

Then there were competitions and games to be played. On the agenda were Bretzel eating competition, lemonade drinking and quiz solving. Our senior class came second in the quiz session. Well done!

Students were immersed in a day of authentic German culture and with a Lebkuchenherz (ginger bread heart) in hand we farewelled the event, with ‘smiles on our dials’. (I am starting to get a hang of these idiomatic expressions – I think.)
A huge thank you goes to all exemplary behaved students and to Ms Bignell for your assistance.

Ms Phillips | German Teacher

Click on picture to view more photos from Oktoberfest

Sports News

Sports Women's Breakfast

Wednesday 15th October was the ACHPER 24th Annual Women in Sport Breakfast. The Australian Council for Health, Physical Education and Recreation (ACHPER), holds an annual breakfast for female students who are involved in sport. Each year, Sandgate selects two outstanding young sportswomen from our cohort to attend the breakfast. This year, our representatives were Tanesha Stanley – Football and Jessica Corliss – Triathlon. The breakfast in 2014 boasted guest speakers such as Cate Campbell (Australian Gold medallist – Swimming), Holly Ferling (Australian Representative – Cricket), and Courtney Hancock (Ironwoman). Each athlete had an amazing story to tell relating to success and realities in their sport. Our girls took note of some very important tips; have fun with your sport (Courtney Hancock), you can mix academia with elite sport (Holly Ferling OP2 Kingaroy SHS 2013 & played for ICC Australia Twenty20 World Champions), and go for your dreams and never doubt yourself (Cate Campbell).

Both Jessica and Tanesha nominated for Rising star awards, as both have reached a National level in their chosen sport. Jessica was presented a ‘Shooting star sporting performance’ Commended award, whilst
Tanesha was presented a ‘Shooting star sporting performance’ Highly Commended award. Well done girls! Good luck with your sporting endeavours.

Mrs. Cameron | Health and Physical Education Teacher

Courtney Hancock, Jessica Corliss, Holly Ferling, Tanesha Stanley and Cate Campbell.

Literacy Tip #11

Reciprocal Reading Strategy

Reciprocal teaching refers to an instructional activity that takes place in the form of a dialogue between teachers and students regarding segments of text. The dialogue is structured by the use of four strategies: **summarising**, **question generating**, **clarifying and predicting** (Palincsar and Brown 1986).

These four activities enhance comprehension and student self-monitoring. It allows for decoding of a text and problem-solving strategies for comprehending texts.

**Step 1:**
**PREDICT:**
Before the student starts reading the text, get them to predict what they think the text will be about. Use titles, dates, headings, images, formatting, quotes, author etc. as clues.

**Step 2:**
**CLARIFY:**
Now get the student to read the text (either out loud or quietly) and jot down any words, phrases or concepts they don’t understand. Get the student to try to figure these out themselves, in context, by using surrounding clues, a dictionary.
Environmental Fact #8

97% of Earth's water is undrinkable salt water, 2% is trapped in ice caps and glaciers; only 0.003% of all the Earth's water is fresh and able to be drunk.

This shows we need to use our water wisely, because some people just take it for granted.

Languages Newsflash

The University of Queensland is offering language learning programs for secondary school students who will be in years 11 and 12 in 2015. This means that students of German and Japanese can study at summer school for a very reasonable price. Please find more information on the flyer or visit www.iml.uq.edu.au

What are the benefits of attending such an educational experience? I attended summer school for German teachers and German language enthusiasts, and it really helped to keep my language up to date, share pedagogical ideas, meet people from other countries and share best practice.
A program like this will give your child a boost in their language skills and they will also get a taste of University early, increasing their confidence. At Sandgate DSHS we foster community links and relationships, through programs such as this.

Ms Phillips | German teacher
Chairman's Message

This has been a fantastic year for School Chaplaincy at Sandgate High. While the school has taken some time to transition to a new chaplaincy in Andy Pickard, we have been overwhelmed by the positive response to Andy’s presence by the school, community and local churches.

As an LCC (Local Chaplaincy Committee), we endeavor to bring support and assistance to the school chaplains in their roles. You may be aware that there is some government funding for school chaplains, however over the past few weeks, the vast majority of funds has not been received to support local chaplains.

One of the most impressive aspects of the school chaplaincy is the level of support that is extended to students and their families. This support is not just limited to individual students, but also to the entire school community. The school chaplains work closely with the teachers, parents, and other school staff to ensure that every student receives the support they need.

I would like to express my gratitude to all the students, staff, and parents who have supported the school chaplaincy in so many ways. Your dedication and commitment to the success of our school is truly inspiring. Thank you for your help and support.

Andy Pickard
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Ways to support the Sandgate High State School Chaplaincy Service...

1. Volunteer your time in one of the chaplaincy programs.
2. Pray for students, staff, whole school community and Local Chaplaincy Committee.
3. Financially give to Sandgate Chaplaincy and the many programs chaplaincy runs.

Splash Out Camp

Term 3 2014

Term 3 is always a busy period of the year. The major highlight was the Splash Out Camp running during the September Holidays. We had 25 students from Sandgate who came this year. All enjoyed the fun, friendships and adventure of tubing, laser force and games, as well as having some positive life messages.

Some of the social justice activities in term 3 included the 40 Hour Famine and Raffoldi day. A total of 38 students participated in the 40 hour famine, with over $2,000 raised for World Vision. The Cancer Council enjoyed receiving $264 after two wonderful year 11 students helped raise awareness during the Cancer Council Raffoldi Day. We as a school sold Raffoldi lapels during August.

Highlights included...

Some of the other highlights include;
Year 9 boys’ group
Finaal ball camp
Chappy’s breakfast weekly
Supporting year 12 GES Breakfast
SU Qld conference staff
Shift at epic falli and dance crew
Athletics carnival participation
Chaplaincy funding at Sandgate is divided up by some government grant money and the rest of the 4-day-a-week service is through donations. I wish to thank and urge all church, business and individual donors to continue to donate as we continue to fight to keep the chaplaincy a 4-day-a-week service in 2015. Together, we are making a positive difference.

Thanks and God Bless
Andy

Absentee Phone Line  3869 9802
Sandgate District State High School has established a phone line to report student absenteeism. Please phone **3869 9802** directly to advise the school that your child will absent.

You will be directed to a message bank, please leave a message ensuring you clearly state the students name, year level, reason for absence, dates absent and your relationship to the student.

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We are excited to introduce you to our interactive, graphically rich, full colour, professional electronic newsletter.

To receive this service you will need a computer with internet access and email.

If you would like to receive our newsletter electronically, please use the link below to add your contact details.


This link is also available on our School Website at [www.sanddistshs.eq.edu.au](http://www.sanddistshs.eq.edu.au)

Paper copies are available for collection (each fortnight) from the student foyer, for families who do not have access to the internet.

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**Sandgate DSHS Online Communities**

In 2012, Sandgate DSHS has launched into the 21st Century and have set up official Facebook and Twitter accounts. Regular updates from the school calendar and messages about upcoming events are fed into the social network. During the school closure in January this year, Twitter and Facebook served as a fundamental tool to keep the community up to the date with the flooding in surrounding areas. Direct links to the official Sandgate High Twitter and Facebook pages can be accessed through the school's website ([https://sanddistshs.eq.edu.au/](https://sanddistshs.eq.edu.au/)). Alternatively, please click on the links below to access the portals.

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**Community Notices**

Learn to Sail

Would you or someone you know like to learn to sail? Then Queensland Cruising Yacht Club is just what you are looking for.
Kids will have fun on the water and at the same time acquire the necessary skills to be responsible and competent in a boat. The six week course is held on Saturday mornings. Our fully qualified Yachting Australia instructors follow accredited training programs enabling each participant to reach a level of competence which is recognized by a certificate at the completion of each course. To offer quality instruction, our course numbers never exceed 6 students to 1 instructor.

This course is ‘Start Sailing’. Start Sailing provides a safe & enjoyable introduction to dinghy sailing for beginners. The course includes an introduction to boat handling skills & essential safety knowledge that will allow participants the freedom of sailing small boats with guidance from an Instructor or coach.

The course is run in 14ft Vagabond dinghies and a safety boat is always on hand to ensure safety.

**Course Dates & Times**

The next course starts on **November 22nd 2014**.

Session times are from 9.30am to 12.30pm

Session dates are:

November 22nd | November 29th | December 13th | December 20th | January 10th | January 17th

**Cost**

The six week course costs $290 per child.

For more information visit the Learn to Sail page of our website or contact the office.

Additional courses, higher level courses and adult courses are also available. Please contact us for details.

Sinbad Street, Shorncliffe, QLD  4017
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**Resilience Skills for a Happy Life**

**Final program for 2014! Limited places available**

Confident Kids ® + teens is a fun and innovative coaching program for kids 5-14yrs that aims to boost confidence, emotional resilience, social skills and brain power. Students discover their strengths, and develop resilient thinking skills to reduce stress, anxiety, worry, or negative thinking. Essential tools to navigate the teen years!

Our team of experienced Psychologists will coach, encourage and support your child to be all they can be! Medicare and Private health fund rebates apply.

*Register and Book online today at confidentkidsandteens.com.au  Or contact us at*
info@positivefamilies.com.au for more details. Groups held at our Kelvin Grove clinic.

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